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BOX PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of FOSTICK, Gideon, SHMUELEVITZ, Fej

SMS AUTOMATIC REPLY AND AUTOMATIC HANDLING

Assignee: COMVERSE NETWORK SYSTEMS, LTD.

Our Ref. Q63704

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 22 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and 2 sheet(s) of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

Assignment for published patent application is: **COMVERSE NETWORK SYSTEMS**, **LTD**.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

TOTAL FILING FEE \$950.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$950.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

There is no claim to priority.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE, MION, ZINN,

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